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In order to comply with discretionary regulations 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, attached hereto is Form PTO-1449 and copies¹ of the documents listed thereon. These documents contain information that the Examiner may consider to be important in deciding whether to allow the present application to issue as a patent.

United States Patents

1. U.S. Patent No. 6,075,614 (Housel).

Other Documents

2. Gettys et al., (1985) "C Language X Interface" Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts and Digital Equipment Corporation, Maynard, Massachusetts.

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search, will review for relevance every document cited on the attached form even if not initialed.

Early and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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